Cramped as we are for room, we were unable last week to condense beyond our ordinary limits.

it will be remembered that our distinguished friend objected to a reference of the 53rd chapter of Isaish to Jesus as the Messiah, for several reasons, the first two of which we endesvored to answer in our last article. He asserts that the of the Jewish faith. prophet has reference to the Hebrew colony, just returned from its captivity, contrary to the judgment of all the early and the great majority of the present Jewish critics. He asserts that the last half of Isaiah's prophecy was not written by the son of Amoz, but by an author nearly two handred years later. With respect to this last assertion, we would ask the Rabbi the candid question, Was not this opinion, less than a hundred years old, the fruit of that rationalistic criticism, which refuses to recognise the supernatural in human affairs? To our mind this is as clear as Goel, his own beloved Redeemer! noonday. It is the legitimate child of that Sadducceism, which refuses say that its merits should not be Confessedly there is no external fence; and to ourself that we have been is no real internal testimony favoring it. But we pass to other points both Hebrew and Christian ! made by the Dr.

6. He says that the christian scriptures were not written till the 2nd century, when they were composed, not according to the facts, but with a design to deceive by making the life of Jesus seem to be a fulfillment of the O. T. prophecies. This is surely a grave assertion. If Dr. Wise can make it good, he will obliterate christianity, as an imposture, from the respect of man. If not, he

would refer, 1st, to the early rersions of the N. T. There was the Peschito Syriac, proven by Michaelis to have been made at the close of the first and the beginning of the 2nd century. There is the Schidic, shown by the most competent crities to have been made at the commencement of t been made at the commencement of the 2nd century. There is also the Vetus Itala, which, quoted by Tertullian and its antiquity especially noted by Augustine, cannot have been later than the same period. If the original had not previously existed, how could these translations have

been made ! B. These writings are quoted by christian fathers, who were them selves either the contemporaries or the immediate successors of the apostles. Different critics have shown that, beginning with the 4th century and going backwards to the apostles, or beginning with the lat century and coming down, an unbroken chain of quotations can be produeed from the N. T. scriptures, showing conclusively that they were written in the first century. It has been asserted that the entire Bible could be thus collated.

C. The testimony of the early opponents of our religion here comes to our aid. Celaus, Porphyry, and Julian, all intelligent and shrewd men, never intimate that these writings were impostures, but admit their authenticity. Julian, especially, refers to their antiquity.

D. The most learned critics and antiquaries have, almost in a body, assigned all four of the gospels to the 1st century. Exceptional cases of those, whose decidedly rationalistic tendencies indicate the genesis of their belief, do not materially affect the evidence. It may be worthy of remark, as specially bearing upon Dr. Wise's slur, that Matthew, by common consent written about the middle of the 1st century, and the first of the gospels, contains fully twice as many allusions to the O. T. as does John, the last of the evangelists, written probably in the concluding decade of the same century.

E. The early spread of christianity is inconsistent with the Dr.'s state ment. That its converts were multiplied with astonishing rapidity is attested not only by christian writers, but by such heathen authors as Tacitus, Suetopius, Martial, Ju venal, and the younger Pliny. If these gospels were an imposition, it would have been known in those early days, and their exposure would have checked the growth of the deception.

F. In this connection, remembe that men never undertake a fraud without a motive. What was the metive in this case? Riches? Honor? Ease? Pleasure? Just the opposite awaited all that adhered to the despised sect. Most cruelly persecuted, thousands submitted to death, rather than purchase life by a simple recantation.

G. The moralresults of christianity show that it could not have origina ted in a lie. Dr. Wise must admit for the material, mental, and moral improvement of our race. It has

are told that Gesenius and other christian critics have given up the task of referring the O. T. prophecies to the person of Jesus. We are compelled to acknowledge that Germany, especially is overrun with what we have to say in reply to Dr. | men, who profess to be t hristians, and Wise, although indulged considerably yet deny all that belongs to it as a Carriage Makers distinctive system. There is no MAIN ST , LEXINGTON, [opp. RaptistCh). propriety in calling such men Cristians,any more than in styling Marwe were to refer to Neander and Krummacher, as representative men of the Jewish faith.

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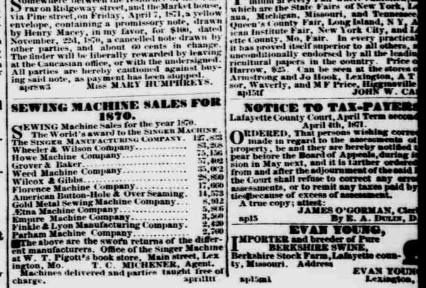
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